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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application 20 pages, including 1 independent claim and 5 claims total.
- Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-211567, filed July 12, 2000.
- 3. Preliminary Amendment
- 4. Appendix to Preliminary Amendment
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